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**AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.**  
LONDON: F. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane,  
Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30,  
Cornhill. GORDON & GORDON, 121, Hol-  
born Hill, E.C.  
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW  
ZEALAND: GORDON & GORDON, Mel-  
bourne and Sydney.  
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports  
generally: WHITE & BAUER, San  
Francisco.  
CHINA: SINGAPORE, DROWN & CO. Amoy,  
Giles & Co. Foochow, THOMPSON &  
Co. Shanghai, H. FONG & Co. Ma-  
nila, C. KARUTH & Co.

**OFFICIAL NOTIFICATIONS.**  
It is hereby notified that, until further  
orders, the China Mail and Overseas China  
Mail will be the official medium of all  
Notifications proceeding from Her Britan-  
nic Majesty's Consulate at Canton.  
British Consulate, Canton, April 16, 1868.  
D. B. ROBERTSON, Consul.

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R. SWINHOE, Consul.

**Arrivals.**  
March 17, *Charmian*, British barque, 558,  
Sunderland, Oct. 29, 800 tons  
Coal for P. & O. Co.—LARRY & Co.  
March 18, *Undine*, British steamer, 236,  
Toppin, Foochow, Amoy and Swatow, Mar.  
16, 10, and 17, General—DOUGLAS LA-  
PRAIK & Co.  
March 18, *Laplace*, H.M.S., 2,000,  
Amoy, Yokohama, Higo and Shanghai,  
Feb. 23, March 4 and 15, Admiral on  
board.

**Departures.**  
Mar. 18, *Charlotte*, for Bangkok.  
18, *Moby*, for Manila.

**Passenger.**  
Arrived.—Per *Undine*, Rev. Vanders,  
Mr. Ho Lee, Captain Hude, Mr. Harris,  
and 100 Chinese.

**Shipping Report.**  
The British brig *Adeline*, from Bangkok,  
reports the first part of passage fine weather  
and light winds from Southern, the latter  
part had strong breeze from N.E. all the  
passage to Hongkong. Spoke the British  
barque *Indy*, on 1st March, from Bangkok  
to Nungpo, 21 days out, in lat. 14.44  
W, long. 110.22 E; on March 3, spoke the  
American barque *Nobels*, in lat. 13.7  
N, long. 113.37 E.

The British Steamship *Undine*, from  
East Coast, reports on her upwards passage  
fell in with a sinking *Lorena* and rescued  
45 Chinese who were taken into Swatow by  
the Steamer and landed. Strong breeze  
and thick weather during the passage. Mr.  
Yeto was in Amoy on the 16th, and S. S.  
Pass.

The British barque *Charmian*, from Sun-  
derland, reports fine weather on leaving  
Sunderland; crossed the Equator on 6th  
November, in long. 28. W.; passed the  
Meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on  
7th Jan., in lat. 41. S.; made Sadavall  
Island on 13th February; passed the Wells  
Island on 16th February; came to Pitt  
Island and Gilolo and Cape Tado on 20th  
February; light N.E. wind up the Pacific  
passage. Passed through Belitung Channel  
on March 18, had light wind up to 16th Mar.;  
then had fresh breeze from E.N.E. until  
arrival in Hongkong on 17th March, 140  
days out. On 24th February, in Gilolo  
Passage, spoke the Brit. ship *John Norman*  
from New York bound to Hongkong, 100  
days out.

For further Arrivals, New Adver-  
tisements, &c., &c., see 4th page.

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**  
TO LET.  
FROM the 1st Proximo, the House  
No. 25 WELLINGTON STREET, now  
occupied by Messrs DENNIS FRERES.  
For particulars, apply to  
D. R. CALDWELL.  
Hongkong, March 18, 1868. 1ap

**NOTICE.**  
RENTS and Accounts collected with  
punctuality and despatch.  
And,  
Distraint WARRANTS for Rent issued  
and executed.  
Security if Required.  
BENRIQUE RODRIGUES,  
33, Bridges Street.  
Hongkong, March 18, 1868. 18ap

**HONGKONG CLUB.**  
IN consequence of the resignation of office  
by nine members of the General Com-  
mittee of the Club, a General Meeting of  
the Members of the Club is hereby called  
to accordance with Rule 22, on WEDNES-  
DAY, the 26th March, at 1/2 past 5 o'clock  
p.m. for the election of nine Members to  
complete the General Committee.  
By order of the General Committee,  
GEORGE D. AYLMORE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong Club, March 16, 1868. 20ma

**ing Drill Cards.**  
(COLORED.)  
50 cents.

## New Advertisements.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Undersigned having PURCHASED  
the Interest of the WANCHI STEAM  
BAKERY, begs to notify the Public Hong-  
kong and Shanghai Masters that he is prepared  
to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD  
in various forms, to any part of the Co-  
lony.

Also Ship BREAD of best quality and at  
low rates constantly on hand or baked in  
quantities at short notice.

Also Water, Butter, Soda and Sugar  
BISCUITS by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.  
Also Corn and Rye MEAL, HOMINY,  
CORN STARCH, BICARB. SODA, Sale-  
ratus and Cream TARTAR.

FLOUR of best Brands constantly on  
hand supplied by the Barrel, Bag, Tin or  
Pound.

CAKE of all kinds baked to order.  
The above is under the Superintendence  
of Mr. JONATHAN PARSONS, and all orders  
forwarded to him, at the Bakery, or left at  
Messrs. HUNT & Co.'s will receive  
prompt attention.

J. P. WARD.  
Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

**FOR SALE, EX "BEHAR."**  
**THE Queen's New BOOK,**  
"Leaves from the Journal  
of our Life in the Highlands."  
**BOWRA & Co.**  
Hongkong, March 10, 1868.

**FOR SALE,**  
**DOWNTON'S PUMPS**  
as under  
One 7 inch, 3 lift patent PUMP,  
with Cast Iron flywheel and  
handles, and with 6 hole 7 inch  
suction plate, with goose neck  
pipes and fittings complete.  
One 5 inch Do., do. do.  
Two 6 inch Gun Metal Fire EN-  
GINES, with hoses complete.  
**HOWRA & Co.**  
Hongkong, January 21, 1868. 1f

**CONFECIONERY, L. E. CREWIS, &c.**  
THE Undersigned beg to inform their  
Friends and the Public that they have  
opened the premises Nos. 88 and 90,  
Queen's Road Central, lately known as the  
"Amoy House," as a Café, and for the  
sale of CONFECTIONERY of all descrip-  
tions, manufactured by a thoroughly com-  
petent European artist.

In connection with the above is also a  
BAKERY, under the charge of an experi-  
enced European, from which the best Eng-  
lish and French Bread, Brown Bread, Ship  
Bread, Biscuits, &c., of all descriptions,  
will be supplied at moderate rates.  
Ice Creams, Confectionary Cakes of all  
descriptions, Bonbons, Pies, Jellies,  
Syrrups, &c., &c., of the best quality sup-  
plied on the shortest notice.

A Private Room, Large Airy Billiard Sa-  
loon, and Piano, for the recreation of  
Visitors.

The undersigned hopes by supplying none  
but first-class articles, and by strict atten-  
tion to business, to merit a share of the  
public Patronage.

F. FRANCIS & Co.  
Hongkong, March 10, 1868. 1f

## HONGKONG AMATEUR THEATRICAL SOCIETY.

**SEASON 1867-68.**  
SUBSCRIBERS are informed that the  
Fourth REPRESENTATION of the  
Season, will take place at the LESITANO  
THEATRE, on the Evening of

**THURSDAY,**  
**THE 18TH INSTANT.**  
When will be Performed the Farce  
"My Wife's Maid,"  
AND THE BURLESQUE

**"BLUE-BARD."**

The Committee announce with much plea-  
sure that they have secured for this night  
only the services of the following Celebrated  
Artists, who will perform in the *Grand*  
*Turkish Ballet*, viz:—

Senora MacLeoda.  
Senora Kotelodona.  
Senora M. Ogden.  
Senora Stoppia Leoda.  
Senora Azale.  
Senora Fente Via.  
Senora Apartemeta.  
Mademoiselle Nebos.

The Performance will commence at half-  
past Eight o'clock precisely.

Non-Subscribers may obtain Tickets from  
Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co.—Price \$3.  
H. HARRINGTON NELSON,  
Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, March 10, 1868. 20ma

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## Amusements.

**GRAND FAREWELL CONCERT.**  
BY  
**Signora Marietta Veralli,**  
KINDLY ASSISTED BY  
**Three Amateurs.**

To take place at the  
CONCERT ROOM OF THE CLUB LESITANO,  
On Wednesday Evening,  
25th March, 1868,  
At 9 o'clock precisely.

**PROGRAMME.**  
ARIA from "Conte di S. Bonifacio," Sign-  
ora Veralli.  
ROMANZA, by Schubert, AMATEUR.  
Duo from "La Favorita," Signora VE-  
RALI and AMATEUR.

RONDO for Piano, by Schubert, AMATEUR.  
"LE GUARANTIE," Signora VERALLI.  
"LES NOUVEAUX DE JEANETTE," Signora  
Duo from "Le Trouvère," Signora VE-  
RALI and AMATEUR.

Interval of Ten Minutes.  
Duo from "Belshazzar," AMATEURS.  
RONDO from "Semiramide," Signora VE-  
RALI.

FANTASIA on the "Last Rose of Summer,"  
for Piano, AMATEUR.  
ARIA from "Cendrillon," AMATEUR.  
ARIA from "La Favorita," Signora VE-  
RALI.

ROMANZA, by Ch. Voss, AMATEUR.  
"LA GAZZA LADRA," Signora VERALLI.  
Duo from "Semiramide," Signora VE-  
RALI and AMATEUR.

**Price of Admission:—** 12  
Tickets to be had at Messrs. LANE, CRAW-  
FORD & Co.'s, Club Lesitano, and at the  
door of the Theatre on the night of the  
Concert.

Doors open at 8 o'clock. Performance  
to commence at 9 o'clock precisely.  
Hongkong, March 17, 1868. 25mar

**GRAND BAL MASQUE,**  
AT THE  
**THEATRE LESITANO.**

BY particular request, a second BAL will  
take place on  
**SATURDAY EVENING,**  
The 21st Instant.

At Nine o'clock, when it is expected that a  
good many will appear in costume.

**PRICES OF ADMISSION:—**  
A box to hold six, \$8.  
Single Ticket, \$1.  
To be had at Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co.,  
Messrs. Bowra & Co., and at the door of the  
Theatre.

Doors will be opened at half-past Eight  
o'clock.  
Hongkong, March 12, 1868. 22mar

**BOURA & Co. will sell by PUBLIC  
AUCTION, by order and at the Resi-  
dence of J. D'ALMEIDA E CASTRO, Esq.,  
Patim Lodge, Canton Road, on**

**THURSDAY,**  
19th March, 1868, at Noon—  
The Elegant Household FURNITURE,  
comprising: Drawing Room, Dining Room  
and Bed Room Suites.

Handsomely Carved Bombay Wood  
Couches, covered with Green Tapestry,  
Marble Top Centre and Side Tables,  
Chairs in Green Tapestry and Morocco,  
Splendid Chandeliers, Lamps and Mir-  
rors, collection of Fine Engravings, a  
Sweet-toned Cottage Piano-forte, Silver  
and Electro-plated Services, Handsome  
Dinner and Dessert Services, Pier Glas-  
ses, Book Cases, Wardrobes, Etc., Etc.,  
Etc.

Catalogues will be issued, and the Furni-  
ture may be viewed on Wednesday,  
18th Instant.

**TERMS OF SALE:—**Cash before delivery  
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.  
Hongkong, March 14, 1868. 19mar

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Premises at the Corner of Queen's  
Road and Bonham Strand, lately  
occupied as a WATER POLICE STATION,  
will be sold by Public Auction, on

**THURSDAY,**  
the 26th Instant, at Noon.  
The Sale will take place on the Ground.  
W. WILSON,  
Surveyor General's Office,  
Hongkong, 17th March, 1868. 26mar

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received instruc-  
tions from Messrs RUSSELL & Co.  
to sell by Public Auction, (on account of  
the concerned) at their Godowns, East  
Point, on

**SATURDAY,**  
the 21st Instant, at 11 o'clock a.m.  
The mentioned sea-damaged Goods.  
By Ship "Chinaman."

14 Bales, ea. 100 pieces 7 lbs. T-Cloths.  
7 " ea. 100 pieces 8 lbs. do.  
3 " ea. 50 pieces 8 1/2 lbs. Grey  
Shirtings

**TERMS OF SALE:—**Cash on delivery in  
Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.  
W. N. MIDDLETON,  
Auctioneer,  
Hongkong, March 18, 1868. 21mr

**STEAM FOR**  
Singapore, Port de Galie, Aden,  
Suez, Malta, Marseilles, and  
Southampton;  
AND,  
Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship  
"B. H. A. R." Captain PERRINS, with  
Her Majesty's Mail, Passengers, Specie, and  
Cargo, will leave this for the above places,  
on WEDNESDAY, 25th March, at 7 a.m.

CARGO will be received on board until  
 Noon on the 24th March, and PARCELS  
until Noon on the 24th March.

For particulars regarding Freight and  
Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s  
Office, Hongkong.

**CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES**  
ARE REQUIRED.

A written declaration of the Contents and  
Value of the Packages for the Overseas Route  
is required by the Egyptian Government, and  
must be delivered by the Shippers to the Com-  
pany's Agents with the Bills of Lading, or  
with Passes; and the Company do not hold  
themselves responsible for any detention on  
prejudice which may happen from incorrect-  
ness on such declaration.

Shippers are particularly requested to note  
the terms and conditions of the Company's  
Black Bills of Lading.

W. MACAULAY, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, March 11, 1868.

**PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP  
COMPANY.**

THROUGH U.S. MAIL LINE TO NEW YORK.  
STEAMERS of this line will leave Hong-  
kong for Yokohama and San Francisco  
as follows:—

Great Republic, on or about April 15.  
Capt. DOANE.

Coda Rica will leave Shanghai on or  
about same date, connecting at Yokohama  
with above-named steamer.

Passengers ticketed through to California,  
Mexico, Central and South America, the  
Atlantic States, and to England or France,  
both via New York and by routes from Pa-  
nama and Aspinwall.

Return tickets issued at a reduction of  
10% upon the whole amount for the round  
voyage.

Connections are made at Panama with



## Notices of Firms.

**NOTICE.**  
FROM and after this date, Captain J. C. Saunders will undertake the Business of my Marine Surveying at this Port.  
H. J. DRING,  
Marine Surveyor.  
Foohow, August 1, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
WITH reference to the above, the business hitherto carried on by H. J. DRING, Esq. at Foohow will be conducted by the Undersigned.  
J. C. SAUNDERS,  
Chop Min,  
Pagoda Anchorage,  
Foohow.  
Foohow, August 1, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr W. A. SPRUNCK in our Firm ceased yesterday by lapse of time.  
BOYD & Co.  
Amoy, January 1, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the Style and Firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.  
GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.  
Saigon, December 20, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr W. C. VAN OORDT in our firm ceased on the 1st January, 1868.  
ROSMAN & Co.  
Hongkong, November 19, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
I have this day established myself as a General Commission Merchant under the style or firm of VAN OORDT & Co.  
(Sd)  
W. C. VAN OORDT.  
Yokohama, October 24, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
MR RYLE HOLME has been admitted a partner in our Firm.  
GLOVER & Co.  
Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
AS my Engagement ceases in May next, all outstanding Accounts for the past Two Years must be sent in immediately for payment.  
MARY HASTELOW RANDLE,  
Superintendent,  
Diocesan School,  
Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. THOMAS PYKE has this day been admitted a Partner in our Firm.  
BIRLEY & Co.  
Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
NOTICE is hereby given that the Interest and Responsibility of the late Mr C. JAMESON in our Firm ceased on the 30th September last.  
The Business will in future be carried on by Mr Z. BARTON under the Name of Style of JAMESON & BARTON, as heretofore.  
JAMESON & BARTON.  
Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. SIDNEY DEACON is authorized to sign our Firm per procuration from this date.  
DEACON & Co.  
CANTON, February 1, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr A. D. MITCHELL in our Firm, ceased on the 31st day of December, 1867.  
A. FERGUSON & Co.  
Hongkong, January 3, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Business will be henceforth carried on under the same Name by the Undersigned.  
A. D. MITCHELL,  
J. D. MEYERS,  
HENRY FARRIS.  
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
MY Business, as Ship and Insurance Broker, Commission Agent, &c. hitherto carried on by myself, will henceforward be conducted under the style or Firm of J. S. Hook, Son & Co.  
J. S. HOOK.  
Hongkong, September 23, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. J. MURRAY FORBES is authorized to sign our name at Canton from this date.  
RUSSELL & Co.  
China, February 15, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. SIDNEY DEACON is authorized to sign our Firm per procuration from this date.  
DEACON & Co.  
Canton, February 1, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
WE have authorized Mr CLAVE BODD to sign our Firm from this date.  
DREYER & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. JOHN HOW CHEYVERTON is authorized to sign our Firm per procuration.  
ALFRED WILKINSON & Co.  
Hongkong, February 21, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr EDWARD HAYTON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last, and Mr JAMES PENDER DUNNAN was admitted a Partner on the 1st July.  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.  
Hongkong, January 11, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
DURING the absence of Mr J. H. LADD from the Colony, Mr T. GOSNOLD LADD is authorized to sign our firm per procuration.  
LADD & Co.  
Hongkong, January 16, 1868.

## Houses and Lands.

**STORAGE.**  
CAN be had in First Class Granite Godowns at Wandai, on very moderate Terms.  
For particulars, apply to  
CHARLES RIVINGTON,  
At Messrs LANDSTEIN & Co.'s Office,  
Stanley Street.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

**TO LET.**  
OUR Large ROOMS on Second Floor above the Office of the Undersigned, 44, Queen's Road, at present occupied by Messrs C. Hook & Co. Possession can be taken on the 1st of January, 1868.  
For Terms, &c., apply to  
G. DUBOST & Co.  
Hongkong, November 6, 1867.

**TO LET.**  
THE extensive and eligible PREMISES, Corner of Hollywood Road and Shelley Street, lately in the occupation of H. M. Government.  
Apply to  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, September 4, 1867.

**TO LET.**  
THE Premises situated in Queen's Road, Stanley Street, and at present occupied by Messrs H. MARSH & Co.  
For particulars, apply to  
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.  
Hongkong, 5th September, 1867.

**TO BE LET.**  
A SHOP, situated in the best part of the Queen's Road, with Show Cases and Fittings complete.  
N.B.—Two First Floor Rooms can be had with above, if required.  
Address "Z," care of Hongkong Dispensary.  
Hongkong, November 28, 1867.

**LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.**  
HE Undersigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise, in their own Boats, and to receive the same on STORAGE in First-class Granite godowns, on Moderate Terms.  
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.  
Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

**TO LET.**  
THE HOUSE No. 8 in Seymour Terrace, commanding a good view of the Harbour, contains 4 Rooms and Out Houses, now occupied by W. H. A. RUSKIN, Esq.  
Apply to  
DAVID SASSOON SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, March 2, 1868.

**TO LET.**  
THE OFFICE and GODOWN situated at the corner of Wellington and Aberdeen Streets, and at present in the occupation of Messrs EMMENHORST & SANDERS.  
For particulars, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.  
Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

**TO LET.**  
O. S. PECHILI TERRACE,  
Apply to  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Hongkong, January 24, 1868.

**TO BE LET.**  
Furnished or Unfurnished.  
THE Dwelling HOUSE in the Alley at Occupation can be had in a few weeks. Application can be made to Mr MASSON at the Albany.  
Hongkong, September 25, 1867.

**TO LET.**  
THE PREMISES situated at Fadder's Wharf, lately occupied by Messrs AUGUSTINE HARRIS & Co. Possession can be taken on the 1st of January, 1868.  
For further particulars, apply to  
THOS. HUNT & Co.  
Hongkong, December 30, 1867.

**TO LET.**  
THE BUSINESS PREMISES, formerly occupied by Messrs ARNOLD, KANBERG & Co., consisting of Dwelling House, Offices, and spacious Godowns.  
Possession can be had on the 1st March.  
Apply to  
JOHN BURD & Co.  
Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

**TO BE LET.**  
TWO New and Strong GODOWNS on Marine Lot No. 63.  
Apply to  
GAVIN THOMPSON,  
at GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s.  
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

**TO BE LET.**  
A HOUSE in Queen's Road, commanding a good view of the Harbour from the North side. The House contains eight good Rooms with Bath Rooms, Verandahs, front and back, Kitchens, Servant's Rooms and Godowns on ground Floor.  
Apply to  
TURNER & Co.  
Hongkong, February 8, 1868.

**TO LET.**  
TWO HOUSES on Carlton Terrace, Spring Gardens, with or without Godowns, rent moderate.  
Apply to  
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.  
Hongkong, 5th September, 1867.

**TO LET.**  
A HOUSE in Spring Gardens, containing four Rooms and Out Houses; Rent, \$28 per month.  
Apply at the Victoria Foundry.  
Hongkong, March 12, 1868.

**TO LET.**  
THOSE two convenient centrally situated HOUSES Nos. 1 and 2, Old Bailey Street, Corner of Hollywood Road.  
Terms moderate.  
Apply to  
THOS. W. BARRINGTON,  
55, Wyndham St.  
Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

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## Intimations.

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Naval & Victualling Storekeeper,  
Hongkong, Victualling Yard,  
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Biscuits, per lb., ..... English weight.  
Soft Bread, per lb., .....  
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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, FIVE MILLIONS  
DO LLARS.

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 Hongkong, VICTOR KRESSER, Esq.  
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 Shanghai, DAVID MACLEAN, Esq.  
 LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

**HONGKONG.**  
 INTEREST ALLOWED  
 ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate  
 of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily  
 balance.

On Fixed Deposits —  
 For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum,  
 " " " 4 per cent.

" 12 " 5 per cent. " "  
**LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.**  
*Credits* granted on approved Securities  
 and every description of Banking at  
 Exchange business transacted  
*Drafts*, granted on London, and the  
 chief Commercial places in Europe, India,  
 Australia, America, China and Japan.  
**VICTOR KRESSER,**  
*Chief Manager.*  
 Offices of the Corporation, Wardley House  
 No. 1, Queen's Road,  
 Hongkong, March 2, 1868.

**Docks.**  
HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK  
COMPANY, LIMITED.  
CAPITAL.—\$750,000.  
IN 1,500 SHARES, OF \$500 EACH.  
THE COMPANY'S DOCKS AT ABER-  
DEEN AND WHAMPOA are in full  
working order, and the attention of Ship-  
owners is respectfully solicited to the advan-  
tages which these Establishments offer for  
the Docking and Repair of Vessels.  
The following description of the Premises  
is submitted for the consideration of the

Public. **ABERDEEN DOCK.**  
DOCK No. 1.  
Built of GRANITE.

Length,	330 feet.
Breadth,	80 "
Depth of Water at Spring Tides,	18 1/2 "
do. Neap Tides,	16 "

**NEW DOCK, No. 2.**  
Built of GRANITE.

Length,	400 feet.
Breadth,	90 "
Depth of Water at Spring Tides,	20 "
do. Neap Tides,	24 "

This Dock is now under construction.

WHAMPOA DOCKS.  
DOCK A.

milt of GRANITE.	
Length,	550 feet.
Breadth,	80 "
Depth of Water at Spring Tides,	16 1/2 ft.
do. Neap Tides,	13 1/2 ft.

This can be used either as one or two  
Docks.

DOCK B.

milt of GRANITE.	
Length,	340 feet.
Breadth,	60 "
Depth of Water at Spring Tides,	18 "

do. Neap Tides, 15 "

The above are the largest Docks in China  
and they are fitted with every appliance in  
the way of Caissons, powerful Steam Pumps,  
&c., to ensure safety and despatch in work.

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**DOCK C.**

Depth of Water at Spring Tides, 260 feet.  
do. Neap Tides, 14 "

Fitted with Caissons and Steam Pumps.

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**DOCK D.**

Depth, 164 feet.

depth of Water at Spring Tides, 12.6 "  
do. Neap Tides, 9.6 "

**DOCK E.**

length, 120 feet.  
depth of Water at Spring Tides, 11 "  
do. Neap Tides, 8 "  
D. and E. are Mud Cloaks available for  
all vessels, at very low rates.

**WORKSHOPS.**

The Workshops on the Premises, both at  
Green and Whimpon, possess every  
facility necessary for the Repairs of Ships  
Steam Machinery. The Engineer's Shop

supplied with Lathes, Planing, Serrating, Punching Machines, &c., &c., for executing work on the largest scale, and Blacksmith's Shops are equally supplied with plant, and the work is fully carried on under the Supervision of experienced Europeans.

Powerful Lifting Shears stand on a Jetty beside where vessels can lie in 24 feet of water and on out Boilers, masts, &c.

**BOILERMAKERS' DEPARTMENT.**

This company in addition to executing repairs are prepared to tender for supplying Boilers to Steam-ships for continuing work.

**FOUNDRY.**  
In and Brass Castings, either for Ships  
General purposes, are executed with the  
at despatch.

**STORES.**  
The Company's Stores will (when re-  
quired) supply at moderate rates all the  
materials for Shipwork, such as Paint,  
Tar, Canvas, &c., &c.

**STEAM TUG.**  
Company's powerful Steam Tug  
(100 Horse-power nominal) is always  
at disposal to Tow Sail-boats.

for further particulars, apply at the  
Office of the Company, d'Aguilar Street,  
Singapore.

**JOHN S. LAPRAIK,**  
Secretary.

**B.—**The Consignee or Master of any  
vessel desiring to complain of the work  
of the Dock, or in any way respecting  
dock arrangements, should address the  
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Hongkong, October 13, 1866,



## Docks.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED. SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the Fourth CALL of Two Hundred Dollars is made in two instalments of One Hundred Dollars each per Share. First of which will fall due on the 15th of March, and the second on the 30th of April next, and will be payable at the Office of Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Queen's Road, Hongkong, where Receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of twelve per centum per annum will be charged after the above dates.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
J. B. ENDICOTT,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 24, 1868.

NOTICE.  
UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

STEAM TUG "LITTLE OPHION." THIS Powerful TUG is available at any moment to Birth Vessels in this Harbour, or to Tow them to or from Sea.

For Particulars, apply at the Company's Office, Pender's Wharf, Praya, Hongkong, or to the Captain on Board.

J. B. ENDICOTT,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, October 12, 1865.

UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED. THE Company respectfully beg to call the attention of Ship Owners, Agents, and Masters to their Establishments at Hongkong and Whampoa, which offer every facility for the DOCKING and REPAIR of Vessels of all classes.

Their Docks in Whampoa, which comprise Four, have been in successful operation for the last Twelve Years, and are now in good Working Condition.

The Docks are pumped out by a Steam Pump in Five hours, and capable of taking in Vessels drawing 15½ feet at Spring Tides.

The Work Sheds comprise the different Departments of the Shipwright, Blacksmiths, Boiler Maker, and Foundry—possessing all the necessary appliances for the Repairs of Ships, Steamers, and Steam Machinery.

The Stores in the different Departments consist of the best Materials, which can be supplied to Vessels on the most reasonable Terms.

A JERRY, with a powerful Lifting Shears, alongside of which Vessels can tie and take out Masts, Boilers, &c.

A STEAM TUG always in readiness to Tow Vessels to the Docks, free of charge, and will tow them back to anchorage or to sea at Reduced Rates.

All Work carried on under the superintendence of experienced Europeans.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office, Pender's Wharf, Praya, Hongkong.

J. B. ENDICOTT, Secretary

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HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SALE.  
THE Hulk "CELESTIAL," as she now lies at Aberdeen, in good order, well found, and suitable for a floating store or residence.

For particulars, apply to  
JNO. S. LAPRAIK,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 16, 1868.

## Intimations.

SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE.  
HOLDERS of Certificates of Shares in the Shanghai Steam Navigation Company are requested to send them to the Agents of the Company, to be replaced by Receipts representing the amount of the old shares and the stock dividend added, pending the issue of New Share Certificates.

ROWLEY MILLER,  
Secretary & Auditor.

Shanghai, 24th February, 1868.

SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE.  
NOTICE is hereby given to the Shareholders in the Shanghai Steam Navigation Company that the Share Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 25th February to the 6th March, 1868, inclusive.

ROWLEY MILLER,  
Secretary & Auditor.

Shanghai, 24th February, 1868.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS & OINTMENT.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS. THIS Medicine is universally admitted to be the most efficacious remedy known to the world. No preparation is so suitable to the climates of India and China as this fine and invigorating medicine. It is particularly adapted to the constitution of European ladies, as it is never failing in its effects in all diseases peculiar to females, while those who are attacked by the debilitating effects of the above diseases will find in this wonderful remedy a kind of assistance whereby they may insure a restoration to robust health.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT. The science of Medicine has never before produced any remedy that can be compared to this wonderful Ointment, as it cures after all other means have failed, all wounds, sores, ulcers, and also the most inveterate skin diseases peculiar to the climates of India and China. It is the true friend of the Soldier and Civilian, as certain old sores can be removed by it that cannot be conquered by any other treatment.

Hongkong, February 1, 1867.

NOTICE.  
THE Steamers "PRINCE ALBERT" and "SIR JAMES JESSE" are withdrawn from the Canton River as Night Boats until further notice.

Hongkong, November 15, 1867.

## Shipping.

FOR MANILA.  
The A 1 Spanish Barque  
"MINERVA,"  
CARREROS, Master, will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
REMEDIOS & Co.  
Hongkong, March 11, 1868.

FOR NAGASAKI.  
The A 1 Amer. Clipper-schooner  
"CHILD OF THE OCEAN,"  
daily expected, will have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight, apply to  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, March 5, 1868.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.  
The British Ship  
"CHILSEA,"  
904 Tons Register, LOWE, Master, having the greater part of her Cargo engaged, will have quick despatch for the above port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
ROSMAN & Co.  
Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.  
The A 1 Clipper-ship  
"ONWARD,"  
WILLIAM WYATT, Master, will be despatched for the above ports at an early date, having the greater portion of her cargo engaged.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
ROZARIO & Co.  
Hongkong, February 21, 1867.

FOR NAGASAKI.  
The A 1 Russian ship  
"CHLITIS,"  
OETTERMANN, Master, having engaged the larger portion of her Cargo, will meet with immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
LANDSTEIN & Co.  
Hongkong, March 16, 1868.

FOR SINGAPORE & BOMBAY.  
The A 1 Russian ship  
"GREENLEE,"  
BRUNN, Master, having engaged the larger portion of her Cargo, will meet with immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
LANDSTEIN & Co.  
Hongkong, March 16, 1868.

FOR MANILA.  
The A 1 Spanish Barque  
"M. LA LUISA,"  
ARREOLA, Master, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.  
Hongkong, March 14, 1868.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.  
The steamer  
"SCOTIA,"  
expected from Calcutta in a few days, will have immediate despatch for the above ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Hongkong, March 17, 1868.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.  
The British Steam-ship  
"ARRATON APCAR,"  
Captain H. DE SEXTON, will leave for the above ports on Saturday next, at 2½ p.m. Despatches will close at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, March 17, 1868.

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.  
The A 1 French schooner  
"JOSEPHINE ANDER,"  
Capt. LAGAN, at 3,200 piculs carrying capacity.

Apply to  
P. & P. DERODE FRERES,  
Hongkong, March 17, 1868.

FOR SINGAPORE.  
The A 1 British Clipper-ship  
"VANGUARD,"  
Captain Huxford, will be despatched to the above port, on or before the 28th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
REYNVAAN BROTHERS & Co.  
Hongkong, March 17, 1868.

FOR SINGAPORE & BOMBAY.  
The Russian Steam-ship  
"SHILTESBURG,"  
will be despatched for the above ports on the 21st instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
LANDSTEIN & Co.  
Hongkong, March 11, 1868.

FOR SHAL, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN.  
The Steam-ship  
"SUNRISE,"  
Captain BUCHAN, will have immediate despatch for the above ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS, LAIDLAK & Co.  
Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.  
The First Class British ship  
"ONWARD,"  
well known in this trade for her quick Passages and Superior Accommodation, has Room for a few more First Class Passengers.

Apply to  
CAPTAIN WAYTE,  
On board "Onward."

Hongkong, March 16, 1868.

NOTICE TO SHIP OWNERS.  
S. S. "ARRATON APCAR" FROM CALCUTTA.  
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer, are hereby informed that in accordance with a clause in the Bills of Lading, the same is being landed and stored as under—

Opium in Messrs. MURRAY, LAMBART & Co.'s Godown; Saltpeetre and Cotton in the Godowns of the Undersigned. All at the Vessel's Expense but at shipper's Risk; and will be ready for delivery on and after the 17th instant; all Cargo not taken delivery of by the 21st instant, will be charged for at the rate of 34 per Chest per month for Opium, and 19 cents per Bale or Bag for Cotton or Saltpeetre.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1868.

NOTICE TO SHIP OWNERS.  
S. S. "ARRATON APCAR" FROM CALCUTTA.  
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer, are hereby informed that in accordance with a clause in the Bills of Lading, the same is being landed and stored as under—

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, March 19, 1868.

## Notices to Consignees.

S. S. "ARRATON APCAR" FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG & SINGAPORE. CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named Vessel are requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.  
Hongkong, March 14, 1868.

BRITISH SHIP "BLIZA," FROM CALCUTTA.  
The above vessel having arrived in the harbour and being now ready to discharge, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their cargo.

Any cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel, will, in terms of Charter Party, be landed and stored, as it comes to hand, at the Consignees' risk and expense.

OLYPHANT & Co.  
Hongkong, March 2, 1868.

"MERCHANTMAN," FROM CALCUTTA.  
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored by the Undersigned at Consignees' risk and expense.

The average bond is now lying for signature at the Office of the Undersigned, Queen's Road, and Consignees are requested to sign the same as early as possible.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Hongkong, March 11, 1868.

SHIP "CHINAMAN."  
The above named vessel having arrived in harbour, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at owners' risk and expense.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, March 3, 1868.

"VIRGEN DEL CARMEN," FROM MANILA.  
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named Vessel, will please send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.  
Hongkong, December 16, 1867.

The following cases have been landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery.

Ex "Tigre," 6th December, 1867.  
1 Basket Feathers.  
1 Case Paper.  
Ex "Domini," 7th January, 1868.  
1 Case Boots.  
Ex "Cambridge," 3rd February.  
1 Case Boots.  
Ex "Hoogly," 7th March.  
19 piculs Sundries.  
2 Boxes Feathers.  
1 c. Samples Cloth.  
1 Trunk.  
Tha. de Caranua.  
C. BERRAND, Principal Agent.  
Hongkong, March 9, 1868.

## New Advertisements.

WEEKLY GENERAL AUCTION.  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, on

FRIDAY,  
20th March, 1868, at Noon.  
The following Goods, namely—  
Pickles, Sauces, Mustard, Salad Oil, Vinegar, Tart, Fruits, Olives, Capers, Macaroni, Raisins, Currants, Jam and Jelly, Oatmeal, Arrowroot, Tapioca, Pearl Barley, Cheese, Bacon, Bloaters, Preserved Meat, Soap, Vegetables.

Also,  
Fancy Toilet Soap, 20 cases Hennessy's Brandy, 20 cases White Wine, 20 cases Martell's Brandy, 20 cases Smoking Tobacco, Cocoa Nut Oil, Stationery.

SHERREY in Wood and Bottle.

J D S M (in diamond) 6014, 50 very Stylish Muslim DRESSES, (suitable for Summer wear).

Also,  
Vegetable Dishes, Dinner Sets, Tumblers, Decanters, Soup Plates, Finger Glasses, Tea-pots, Swords, Dishes, Bowls.

Also,  
White Cup Covers, Photograph Frames, Paper, and Envelopes, Board Letter Files, Quills, Snuff in Bottles, Cambric Handkerchiefs.

Also,  
A small Invoice of Assorted Wearing Apparel.

And,  
A quantity of Horse Shoe Nails.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All Lots with all faults and errors of description at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, March 18, 1868.

HONGKONG READING SOCIETY. A list of READINGS of the above Society will be given on FRIDAY EVENING, the 20th inst., in the LEXON MISTON School Room, commencing at Seven o'clock.

GEO. MURRAY BAIN,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 18, 1868.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
THE Fee on the Transfer of Shares in the Corporation will henceforth be One Dollar for each Certificate issued, instead of Twenty-five cents upon each individual Share as formerly.

VICTOR KRESSER,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, March 11, 1868.

## New Advertisements.

## THE CHINA MAGAZINE.

No. 11, March 14, 1868.

YUK NOO, a Romance of 1,600 Years ago. Chapters II, and III.  
A TRIP TO JAPAN.  
WAL.  
RUE PEAN LIFE IN HONGKONG.  
A FRIEND OF HIS BROTHER, a Novella. Chapter I.  
CHO & CHOW.

Illustrations.  
GROUPE OF BUILDINGS IN VICTORIA, HONGKONG.  
THE CATHEDRAL, MACAO.  
GOVERNMENT HOUSE, MACAO.  
Hongkong, March 14, 1868.

## THE CHINA MAGAZINE.

A WEEKLY MISCELLANY, 24PP. IMPERIAL 8VO. Illustrated with Photographs.  
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In China, the Straits, Saigon, Manila, and Bangkok, ... \$7.50.  
In Great Britain, ... \$2.  
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No. 1, March 7th, 1868, will contain—  
EUROPEAN LIFE IN CHINA, (Illustrated.)  
YUK NOO; a Romance translated from the Chinese, by the late Rev. E. Evans.  
HAPPY VALLEY, (Illustrated.)  
HOW I SUGGESTED INTO PRINT.  
TOSIDRA, GALAH!  
HOW THE THIEVES MANAGE IN CHINA: Dedicated to Horace Mayhew.

Illustrations.  
1.—View in Hongkong taken from the bridge on Victoria Peak.  
2.—Instantaneous view of Happy Valley, taken on the third day of the storm, 1868.  
3.—Group of Rigvellers.

## NEWS AGENCY.

J. B. MORRIS, News Agent, Hongkong, being now prepared to receive orders for any Newspaper or Magazine published in England or the United States of America, at prices as low as those charged by any home agency, begs to solicit the support of the reading Public, and assure those who may favor him with their orders that the same shall be executed faithfully and promptly.

The latest copies of the best English and American Newspapers received by every mail steamer, also the latest copies of the Shanghai and Japan papers.

For subscription lists, with prices, &c. Apply to  
J. B. MORRIS,  
Care of Messrs. BOWEN & Co.,  
Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

PER MAIL STEAMER.  
Suitable for Christmas Presents.  
A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT of Meerschaum PIPES, with and without Cherrywood Stems.

CIGAR HOLDERS.  
ALBUMS.  
Real Havana CIGARS, etc.

BIELFELD and ZACHARIAE.  
Hongkong, December 20, 1867.

SELLING OFF! SELLING OFF!! SELLING OFF!!!

GREAT SACRIFICES!!!

SPLENDID BARGAINS!!!  
MULLER & CLAUSSEN  
BEG to announce that they are Selling Off their stocks of the undermentioned GOODS at Invoice prices, consisting of—  
Black Cloth Dress FROCK and Walking COATS.

Melton and Angost Walking Shooting and SAC COATS.  
Melton and Witney YACHT JACKETS and OVER COATS.  
Alpaca and Merino COATS.  
Black Dress TROUSERS.  
Fancy Buckskin, Angola and Tweed TROUSERS.  
Alpaca and Merino TROUSERS.  
White and Colored Linen TROUSERS.  
Black Dress VESTS.  
Buckskin and Angola VESTS.  
Merino and Alpaca VESTS.  
White Marcella and Linen VESTS.  
Colored Linen VESTS.

A large lot of PIECE GOODS, comprising—  
Black and Blue Broad CLOTHS and DOB-KINS.  
MELTONS, BUCKSKINS, ANGOLAS, TWEEDS and FLANNELS, of this Season's Patterns.  
Also a new assortment of HOSIERY and SHIRTS of—  
LONG CLOTH, with Linen FRONTS, &c.  
Silk and Wool SHIRTS.  
Merino, Cotton, Lambswool and Flannel DRAWERS and UNDER VESTS.  
Merino, Cotton and Lambswool HALF HOSE.

LADIES' COTTON HOSE.  
Dante's Kid and Driving GLOVES.  
CUFFS, SCARVES, TIES, Chokers, BELTS and Cambric HANDKERCHIEFS.  
Christy's Silk, Shell and Felt HATS, in the newest Shapes.  
Dawson's BOOTS and SHOES.  
UMBRELLAS, Walking STICKS, Cloth and their BRUSHES.

PERFUMERY, Fancy SOAPS, and a great variety of other GOODS.

MULLER AND CLAUSSEN,  
Queen's Road,  
February 3, 1868.

THE OFFICE of the Undersigned is REMOVED TO GARDEN STREET, Corner of Lyndhurst Terrace.

REYNVAAN BROTHERS & Co.  
Hongkong, January 2, 1868.

WM. DOLAN,  
SALE MAKER, &c.  
Dundas Street,  
(Opposite French Consulate.)  
Hongkong, April 2, 1866.

## New Advertisements.

Published weekly.—Subscription (Exclusive of postage) Tls. 12 per annum; payable in advance.

SUPREME COURT AND CONSULAR GAZETTE, AND LAW REPORTER FOR THE SUPREME AND PROVINCIAL COURTS OF CHINA AND JAPAN.

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Advertisements will be charged Tls. 1 per 10 lines, for the first insertion, and 50 cts. per 10 lines, for each subsequent insertion.

Shanghai, January, 1867.

THE Members of the late Hongkong Volunteer Corps are hereby requested to return without delay to the Undersigned the RIFLES they have been allowed to retain pending sanction for their purchase, the same not having been allowed.

H. COHEN.

Hongkong, March 13, 1867.

VIEW OF HONGKONG.  
R. BAPTISTA begs to inform the Residents of Hongkong that he will be prepared to receive orders for COLOURING the Lithographic View of Hongkong issued with the Overseas China Mail of 15th Nov. at the following rates—  
Full Coloured, ... \$6.  
Washed in, ... \$3.  
Shaded in Pencil, ... \$1.50.  
A Specimen of the Full Coloured Lithograph can be seen at this Office.

Hongkong, November 7, 1867.

NOTICE.  
THE Undersigned beg to inform Masters of vessels bound to this port, that they have always a large Stock of CANVAS, EUROPEAN ROPE, TWINE, and other Shipchandler's Stores, as well as Salt Provisions continually on hand, which they are able to dispose of, at as reasonable rates as they can be purchased at in any of the China Ports.

KARUTH HENISZEN & Co.  
Manila, June 22, 1866.

(From the Canton Customs Daily Return.)  
Additional per Month, cleared for London—  
445 half-chests Congou Tea.  
400 boxes Congou Tea.  
708 boxes Orange Pekoe Tea.  
236 barrels Flour (re-export).

Summary of Imports and Exports per River steamers during the week from 9th to 14th March.  
Imported per Kintung and Kinsan from Hongkong—  
818 piculs (395½ bales) Cotton.  
933 piculs (311 bales) Cotton Yarn.  
133 piculs (132 pigs) Lead.  
80 Hacks Quicksilver.  
21 rolls Mats.  
200 cases and packages Sundries.

Exported per Kintung and Kinsan to Hongkong—  
287 bales and cases Fine Silk.  
151 cases Punjum.  
70 cases Silk Picco Goods.  
21 cases Glass Bangles.  
51 cases Glass Beads.  
438 packages and parcels Sundries.

Per Mathilde, loading for New York—  
10 cases Passives.  
500 rolls Matting.  
375 packages Fire Crackers.  
8 cases China Ware.  
10 packages Sundries.

## LATEST SHIPPING.

CLEARED.  
Morning Star, for Bangkok.  
Athena, for Bangkok.  
Chinaman, for Saigon.

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.  
MAILS WILL CLOSE.  
For STONE, PENANG & CAL CUTTA—  
Per "ARRATON APCAR" on Saturday, the 21st instant, at 3 p.m.

UNDER DESPATCH.  
For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—  
Per Arratton Apcar, on Saturday, the 21st instant, at 4 p.m.

## QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, 18th March, 1868.  
OPIMUM.—Patna, New, ... \$655 a 697½  
Old, ... 652½  
Benares, New, ... 690  
Old, ... 680  
Malwa, ... \$16 a 20  
COTTON.—BOMBAY, ... \$13 a 18  
BENGAL, ...

Exchange.  
Bank, 6 months' sight, ... 4 1/4 a 4 1/2  
Credits 6 ... 4 1/2  
On Calcutta, 3 days' sight, Rs. 218.  
On Bombay, 3 days' sight, Rs. 217.  
On Shanghai, 3 days' sight Bank, Tls. 72.  
Bar Silver, 17 dwts. A., ... 11 1/2 per c. pre.  
Sycee, ... 11 1/2 per c. pre.  
Mexicans, ... 24 per c. pre.  
Gold Leaf, ... 24 per c. pre.  
Gold Bar, 98 touch, ... 23 1/2.  
English Sovereigns, ... 4 1/2 a 4 1/2  
Australian Sovereigns, ...

Discount.  
Gas Company Shares, ... 40 per Share.  
H. & W. P. do, ... 14 per cent pm.  
Do. do, ... 6 per cent pm.  
H. & S. Bank Shares, Old, 15 per cent pm.  
Do. do, ... 35 per centile.

## Temperature.

HONGKONG, 18th March, 1868.  
Barometer, ... 30.185  
Attached Thermometer, ... 65  
Dry Bulb, ... 64.0  
Wet Bulb, ... 61.0  
Maximum 8 P.M., ... 61.0  
Minimum 8 P.M., ... 58  
Max. Sun's Rays, ... 88  
Minimum on Grass, ... 60.0  
Previous Rain on Grass, ... 0.00  
24 hours, ... 0.00  
Wind, ... N.E.  
Force, ... 1  
Cloud, ... 5  
Ozone, ... 5  
Weather, ... Dull.

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H. COHEN.  
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Large Stock of CAN-  
ROPE, TWINE, and  
Stores, as well as Salt  
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HENISZEN & Co.  
1868.

Customs Daily Return.)  
Zemchester, cleared for

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Large Pekoe Tea.  
Flour (re-export).

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Shanghai and Kinsan from

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31 bales Cotton Yarn.  
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reserves.

Fire Crackers.  
China Ware.

Sundries.

SHIPPING.

BEARD.  
Bangkok.

NOTIFICATIONS.

NANG & CAL. UTTA.—  
VOY APGAR, on Satur-  
at instant, at 3 P.M.

DESPATCH.  
Fenning and Calcutta—  
on Saturday, the 21st

ATIONS.

18th March, 1868.

New, ... 695 1/2 697 1/2

Old, ... 682 1/2

New, ... 690

Old, ... 680

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 1868.

THE CHAMBER ON THE STAMP  
ACT.

The meeting held yesterday at the Cham-  
ber of Commerce, to consider the working  
of the Stamp Act, afforded an interesting  
opportunity for observing the conclusions  
at which the leading members had arrived.

Practically the resolutions determined on  
announced to recommending—that every  
bill drawn should be stamped, the stamp  
on small bills not amounting to more  
than 2 or 3 cents; that a clause bringing  
“acknowledgements of goods expected”

within the section relating to Bills of  
Lading be omitted; that no stamp be  
imposed on inward Bills of Lading or  
ad valorem stamp on treasure Bills of  
Lading; that the sections relating to  
Bottomry and Respondentia Bonds and  
Charter Parties stand as they now are;

a reduction in the Stamp on transfers of  
Shares; the imposition of only \$1 upon  
each letter of Hypothecation; and that  
the duty on bank notes be removed, or  
at least reduced to 1/2 per mille per annum  
on the average circulation. These re-

commendations were followed by another  
that it should be permissible to stamp  
documents within 14 days after their  
date, a most reasonable suggestion and  
framed to obviate the possibility of the  
vexatious prosecutions now permissible.

The foregoing resolutions embodied only  
suggestions for lessening the burden at  
present imposed, the concluding motion  
to the effect that if an additional impost  
was absolutely necessary “a tax” on  
policies of insurance would be the least  
objectionable.”

It is doubtless true that by adopting  
these resolutions the Chamber has virtually  
recognized the Stamp Act, in its yet  
to be remodelled form, as a necessary  
measure of government, and one more  
over the provisions of which it will have  
had a share in framing. Judging how-  
ever from the tone generally adopted by  
those who spoke, there is a growing con-  
viction of its absolute necessity for the  
colonial exchequer, and we congratulate  
the members on the good sense which  
has led them to recognize that necessity.

Their past opposition, sincere if misjudged  
at the time, does not in any way detract  
from their character for consistency. They  
honestly and openly opposed the Stamp  
Act, and will now, convinced of its abso-  
lute need, devote as much energy towards  
its better organization as they formerly  
did to its denunciation. Although we  
supported the views of its framers, we  
never lost sight of the additional expense  
and trouble its action would involve. It  
seemed, as events have proved it to be,  
although by no means a measure likely  
to give satisfaction, a stern necessity, and  
we are glad that men so eminent for their  
business qualifications have practically  
proved the justice of the remarks we then  
made. And we trust the promise held  
out by the Governor that its operation  
should wholly or partially cease, when its  
revenue could possibly be dispensed with,  
will be carried out. As we insisted  
upon the advantages of putting it into  
operation, so do we assert the necessity  
for fair dealing as regards its abrogation  
when the fitting time arrives.

Of the practical value of the recom-  
mendations forwarded our readers will  
form their own opinions and require no  
aid to judge as to their expediency or  
otherwise. In connection with the mat-  
ter of time, however—i.e., the date at  
which a stamp should be affixed—we  
would suggest that some alteration be  
made as to the consequences of uttering  
unstamped documents. It is found at  
home that the fact of an unstamped doc-  
ument being invalid forms ample secu-  
rity for the proper use of stamps, without  
recourse to coercive regulations. The  
object of the Stamp Act is to raise money  
for the Colony, not to impose vexatious  
regulations; and if these latter are found  
unnecessary at home, we cannot see their  
necessity here. It is all very well to say  
people would not use them. But is per-  
fectly evident that no bank or merchant  
would accept an invalid document in a  
mercantile transaction, any more than  
before the advent of the Stamp Act. He  
would have accepted a blank sheet of  
paper instead of a regularly executed  
document. He who would accept an un-  
stamped, and therefore invalid, document  
would dispense with any written security  
altogether, and under the Stamp Act  
would be as likely to do so as dispense  
with the Stamp. We are rather sur-  
prised that the Chamber did not take  
this point into consideration.

LOCAL.

This form in which the *China Mail* is this  
day issued will be continued until the ar-  
rival of the *Achilles* next month, with the  
paper which we expected by the *Agamen-*  
non, now nearly due. There are five columns  
instead of six in each page, but there are  
eight pages instead of six. The latest ad-  
vertisements and shipping will be found  
invariably on the 1st and 4th pages; the  
eighth page is appropriated to the general  
shipping list.

A STOCKHOLM paper says that Sweden is  
about to establish a Consulate General in  
China.—*Weekly Times*.

CORRECTION.

By an error of the press, in the latter part  
of our Report of the Chamber of Commerce  
Meeting, Mr Kresser is said to advocate  
that the stamp on Bank notes should not  
be more than 1 per cent. per annum. It  
should read “1/2 per mille.” We may also  
state that Mr Bellios was elected a mem-  
ber of the Chamber, not of the Committee.

THE “REIVER” TREASURE ROBBERY.

The eight prisoners still on remand on the  
charge of having robbed the steamer  
*Reiver* of a valuable box of treasure, were  
again brought up this morning before Mr  
May. Mr Caldwell, for the prosecution,  
asked his Worship to remand the prisoners  
on bail until the 5th of May, when he fully  
expected the *Reiver* would be here with the  
present witnesses and further evidence. It  
was an exceptional case, and he made  
the application on that ground. Messrs  
Gaskell and Toller, for the prisoners,  
strongly opposed this application; but his  
Worship granted the remand on heavy bail.

SUPREME COURT  
IN CRIMINAL SESSION.

(Before the Hon. the CHIEF JUSTICE.)  
The March Criminal Sessions commenced  
at 10 o'clock this morning, when the fol-  
lowing jurors were called and sworn—  
Messrs A. Harley, T. Anthony, P. Radiz,  
E. Deetjen, K. A. Radecker, J. de Jesus,  
and P. Gubbe.

LARCENY.

Poon Achoy was charged with having  
stolen, from a house in Square Street,  
Taipingshan, on February 29th, nine articles  
of clothing and \$95 in silver.

Chun Hung Moey, who rents the house  
from which the robbery was committed (in  
which house prisoner has one room), stated  
that on February 24th, he gave prisoner the  
key of her box to open his door. Soon  
after he got this key, the prisoner went  
out, and returned shortly after with a key  
made similar to hers. On the same day  
she found her clothes and money stolen,  
and witness seemed considerably affected  
by this loss of her worldly goods. She gave  
information to District Watchman No. 13.

These facts were corroborated by a widow  
living next door to complainant, and added  
that prisoner returned on the 10th; when  
he was charged with the theft, he accounted  
for his absence by saying that he had been  
detained in Gaol.

District Watchman deposed to the fact  
that he found a pair of children's trousers  
under the prisoner's bed on the 4th Feb.,  
and the trousers produced (formerly identified  
by complainant's little girl) are the trousers  
he found. A paw-ticket was in the pri-  
soner's jacket, but it was made away with;  
witness supposes that he swallowed it.

Charles Hurst, warden of the Gaol, was  
next called upon, but failed to appear.  
Curfew, the head turnkey of the Gaol  
present, stated that he had sent for Hurst,  
but that he would not come. The Chief  
Justice said that if officers of the Govern-  
ment did not obey the summons of the  
Court to give evidence, he could not expect  
others to do so. He would most certainly  
carry out the request of the Attorney Gen-  
eral, and order that Hurst's recognisance  
be forfeited.

Prisoner stated that he was in Macao and  
Canton from the 2nd to the 10th February,  
and he had been two years in complainant's  
house without having any dispute occur-  
ring during that time. (The interpreter  
here mentioned that as the 2nd was Satur-  
day, there was no steamer to Macao on that  
day.)

The Chief Justice, in summing up, said  
that he could suggest no doubts as to the  
evidence; and the jury without any hesita-  
tion returned a verdict of Guilty.

His Lordship, remarking that the poor  
woman had been impoverished for life, sen-  
tenced the prisoner to penal servitude for  
three years.

In reply to the Court, Mr Douglas here  
explained that the Warden of the Gaol had  
remained absent by his instructions, but  
that he (Mr D.) had been here since half-  
past ten, and had gone into the Registrar  
General's office for a few minutes while the  
witness's name was called.—His Lordship  
said that there was no use being out of the  
Court, if they did not know where he  
was.—Mr Douglas said that he had in-  
structed the Turnkey to call him.

PASSING A BAD DOLLAR.

Cheo Anow was placed at the bar, and  
pleaded not guilty to having uttered a coun-  
terfeit dollar on the evening of February 8th,  
at the bar of the Siz Hotel.

George Payne, bannan at the said hotel,  
stated that prisoner came to the bar and  
asked for two small bottles of beer, at the  
same time placing the dollar produced on  
the counter. From its appearance he sus-  
pected the dollar, and sent the boy to a  
money-changer's with it, by which means  
he learnt that it was a copper dollar. He  
then gave him into custody of a policeman,  
and he was taken into the Station.

Koon Apoy, boy at the bar, said that  
he went to the money-changer's and found  
that the dollar was a copper one, and he  
found another dollar (also copper) in pri-  
soner's trousers. Prisoner escaped from the  
dock before he was tried, and witness  
was dismissed from the police force on that  
account. In reply to prisoner, this witness  
said that he did not owe him for 200 cigars.  
He did not tell prisoner to go from the  
dock; he was never surprised in his life  
than to find that he was “a gunner.”

The Police Chief Sling-off (Ashing) gave  
the value of the dollar uttered as 20 cents,  
and that of the dollar found in prisoner's  
trousers as only 10 cents, the latter being a  
very thin-skinned dollar.

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Prisoner admitted having in ignorance  
uttered the bad dollar produced, and stated  
that he was told to go from the Magistrate's  
dock. He did not believe that Schaeffer  
had been dismissed from the Police on that  
account only; there was something under  
that. It was all owing to the 200 cigars  
which the constable owed him for.

His Lordship having summed up the evi-  
dence, the Jury returned a verdict of guilty  
of uttering a bad dollar, and sentenced  
the prisoner to 9 months imprisonment  
and to be thrice placed in solitary confinement  
for fourteen days at a time. His Lordship  
said he was afraid that since prisoner left  
San Francisco, he had received a complete  
education in crime; and he hoped the solitary  
confinement might have some effect upon  
him.

ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

Ho Achut, Yow Akwai, Lee Asang, and  
Yin Achee, were brought up on the above  
charges, inasmuch as they did, at Praya  
West, on February 27th, with four others  
not in custody, attack one named Chun  
Atcem, and rob him of a box containing 300  
Taels silver and \$200 Mexican.

Two District Watchmen (who now figure  
largely in the Supreme Court Criminal Cir-  
cledings) accounted for the arrest of the  
1st and 4th prisoners; while Lokong Chun  
Akum said he arrested the 2d and 3d.

THE NORTH.  
(Shanghai Recorder.)

A rumour has been current for the last two  
days (8th and 9th inst.) among the natives  
that the Emperor has been taken away  
from Peking and that the Rebels have at-  
tacked the city. We do not attach much  
weight to it, and imagine it is probably  
nothing more than a conclusion jumped at  
as a natural corollary to recent events.

A rumour gained currency on Saturday,  
the 7th inst., in the settlement that news  
had been received of the death of the  
Emperor Napoleon. We have not been able  
to verify it, and give the statement as  
we received it. We need not say we trust  
it is unfounded.

The Prussian Corvette *Vineta* came safely  
out of the Off Dock on the afternoon of  
12th inst.

About 12 o'clock noon on 10th March,  
an extraordinary phenomenon was observed  
in the river in the form of a large wave  
like a storm wave on a smaller scale, which  
came up the River, and after dashing with  
great force against the piers of the Sochow  
Bridge, entered the Creek, dashing the  
sampans and boats there moored, up against  
one another, and causing great consterna-  
tion amongst those on board. Several  
boats were damaged, but no one hurt.

A steamer, newly built, and of the Ameri-  
can flag, was in the river. The steamer  
was like a steam wave on a smaller scale,  
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with great force against the piers of the Sochow  
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no one hurt.

The cause of the phenomenon is surmised  
to be the recent heavy gales.

On the subject of the failure of the  
Customs Bank at Hankow, a correspondent  
writes: “What is to be done? The  
Chinese are not to be depended upon. The  
British will not uphold the Taotai and  
give us another edition of his security chop  
proclamations.” It is to be hoped that in  
the event of his failing to obtain a reply to  
the despatch which was recently sent by him  
in conjunction with his Colleagues to the  
Vice-Roy of Hupoh, &c., he will think it  
necessary to refer the matter to head-  
quarters.

We hear that a Naval Court recently sat  
at Hankow to enquire into certain com-  
plaints of ill-treatment made by a Marine  
against Capt. O'Keefe, of H. B. M. Gun-  
boat *Harpe*, but the complainant not being  
forthcoming Capt. O'Keefe was honorably  
acquitted. The *Harpe* has been pronounced  
unfit for service.

We hear that the visit of Mr. Forrest to  
Singapore is not, as stated by our morning  
contemporary, merely formal, but has re-  
ference to the old grievance of the Xiamen  
squeezes. It is satisfactory to find that  
some energy is at last being displayed in  
this matter, and it is to be hoped that a  
tardy redress will be finally obtained. A  
more miserable shuffling than that, whereby  
it was hoped to get clear of an undoubted  
liability, which was made by the native au-  
thorities in regard to this matter has scarce-  
ly been attempted even by the Chinese.

We cannot, however, quite see why, before  
anything can be done, it is necessary for  
our Consul authorities to be dandling all  
over China to visit the local officials. If  
we are rightly informed, Mr. Vice Consul  
Forrest, who went previously on this mat-  
ter, was refused an audience by the Pootai,  
a circumstance which is humiliating enough.  
We trust the present attempt may be more  
successful, but if difficulties can only be  
settled in this manner, it is interesting to  
acquire what is the use of our Ministers at  
the capital.

As illustrative of the difficulty in obtain-  
ing evidence of a reliable nature from Chi-  
nese we may mention the following incident  
which we have on the best authority. The  
United States Consul at Hankow having to  
investigate a case, asked a Chinaman who  
had some cognisance of the matter what he  
immediately asked: “You want me to  
take one fashion can, please you want  
another fashion, can—unsuee?”

THE STAMP ACT.

MEETING OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.  
A meeting of the Hongkong General  
Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday,  
the 17th instant, in the Chamber's Room,  
for the purpose of ascertaining the views of  
members with reference to the working of  
the Stamp Act, and to discuss  
such sections of the Schedule as call for  
revision. The Hon. Phineas Ryrie occu-  
pied the Chair, and the following members  
were present—Messrs Hukland (Vice Chair-  
man), Hitecock, Fraser, Lyke, Zimmern,  
Arnhold, Kaye, Macaulay, Taylor, Rowett,  
Schutze, Delbanco, Kresser, Joost, Bosman,  
Lapointe, Jackson, Heard, Duncanson, Dea-  
con, and Bickart.

The Chairman said that as all the mem-  
bers must have seen the circular calling the  
meeting, they must be aware of its object.  
The Stamp Act they knew perfectly well,  
and they knew equally well that a Stamp  
Act must continue to have. They all  
knew that the Stamp Schedule first submit-  
ted was a very imperfect one; but he  
thought that Mr. E. the Governor had very  
properly placed that Schedule in the hands  
of a Commission, in order that it should be  
reported upon, and that any suggestions  
might be offered likely to make it more  
perfect than it was. In order that the views  
of the mercantile community should be ob-  
tained, he had called a meeting of the

Chamber to consider the various clauses of  
the Schedule, so that they might have the  
opportunity of suggesting any improvements  
or alterations which occurred to them.  
There were twenty-one clauses, with some of  
which they had very little to do, and he  
thought there was very little use going  
through them all. Still he would be glad  
if any opinions were expressed on the part  
of members, as to what clauses should be  
reduced or augmented. The Commission  
had recommended a material reduction on  
the duties on bills; and they had agreed  
upon various additions which he would  
mention. They proposed to tax—1st,  
Average statements, not so much for an in-  
crease of revenue, as to assimilate them  
more with the bonds; 2nd, Godown orders  
in security for loans, upon which a small  
adhesive Stamp was recommended (laugh-  
ter); 3rd, Bank cheques, 2 cents; 4th,  
Inward Bills of Lading, 10 cents (A Voice:  
That is unknown in any part of the world);  
5th, Bills of Lading beyond China; and  
6th, Policies of Insurance.

Mr Kaye remarked that these were all  
new items.

The Chairman said that, of course, if the  
meeting preferred that so large a tax should  
remain upon bills, it would be equally  
satisfactory to the Government. It was  
the intention of the Commission, however,  
to lighten the burden upon bills by placing  
a portion upon documents which had hith-  
erto entirely escaped.

Mr Taylor suggested that the meeting  
should first discuss the old items, and then  
consider the new.

Mr Rowett remarked that it would be  
most iniquitous, to tax bills of lading, as  
they were taxed at home.

Mr Jackson observed that, as for bills of  
exchange, they had three stamps before  
they were complete.

Mr Delbanco said that he would sooner  
see the old \$1.50 scale stand, than have  
taxes upon new items.

Mr Bosman argued that no new docu-  
ment should be taxed; he would certainly  
be sorry to see any new items added to the  
schedule. If, according to the Collector's  
return, there was enough money now receiv-  
ed, why propose new items? He hoped  
the Chamber would oppose all new imposi-  
tions.

The Chairman remarked that several of  
the new items had his approval, but not all.  
He wished, however, to express his con-  
viction that the Government had no wish to  
get more revenue than the \$10,000; they  
only aimed at the more equable distribution  
of the tax. They wished to reduce the rate  
on bills, and they suggested new sources  
from which to counterbalance the antici-  
pated reduction.

Mr Bosman here interpolated a remark,  
that the difficulty could be got over by a  
sliding scale.

Mr Delbanco (getting warm on the ques-  
tion of a sliding scale, and thus compelling  
the Chairman to resume his seat, although  
in the middle of his speech,) continued to  
say that a sliding scale would be most in-  
comprehensible and annoying to the Chi-  
nese. He thought that the schedule as it  
was at present worked very well.

On the subject of the assertion  
that he had heard very different accounts  
outside to the working of the Act.

Mr Bosman said that it would be great  
bother to have to stamp so many different  
documents.

Mr Taylor remarked that the stamp on  
Bills came very hard upon small accep-  
tances, and he thought there should be a  
sliding scale, although he was not prepared  
to propose one himself.

The Chairman suggested that the opinion  
of the meeting should be taken as to sliding  
scale or no sliding scale. He should say  
abolish stamps on bills of \$100, and say  
50 cents per \$1000.

Mr Hitecock, after stating his opinion  
that there was little use in giving their  
opinion in favor of a sliding scale without  
stating the sliding scale suggested by the  
meeting, proposed that \$250 bills should  
be exempted, and 25 cents be charged upon  
every \$1000 bill beyond that sum.

Mr Delbanco repeated that the Chinese  
would not understand the sliding scale.  
Mr Hitecock reminded the meeting that  
the Chinese would very soon understand  
paying 50 cents instead of a dollar.

The Chairman (having received Mr Bos-  
man's resolution in writing, which so  
strongly objected to new taxation) said that  
to carry that resolution would be virtually  
to shut up the meeting.

He then attempted to say that they would  
stick to what they had.

Mr Taylor did not think it would be  
right so summarily to dismiss the subject.  
If they had an imperfect Stamp Act, the  
object was to make it as perfect as possible.

The Chairman suggested that the objec-  
tions of Mr Bosman could go into the  
report of the meeting, but the meeting  
should proceed to consider the revision of  
the schedule.

Mr Bosman, however, asked why he  
should not take the sense of the meeting.  
Rather than see new items introduced into  
the schedule, they would sooner retain the  
schedule as it was. They could pass his  
resolution first, and then enter upon the  
consideration of possible alterations upon  
the old schedule. As a first principle, he  
held that no new documents should be  
admitted.

This sentiment was generally approved of.  
Mr Hitecock remarked that, if only an  
inconsiderable sum would be derived from  
the items proposed by the Commission, it  
was a question whether the trouble of an  
increased number of documents to stamp  
was worth the revenue likely to accrue.

The Chairman said that if the stamp on  
bills should be reduced by one-half, the  
difference would have to be made up some-  
how.

Mr Kaye said that, were Mr Bosman's  
motion to be passed then, it would stultify  
the entire proceedings of the meeting.  
Could they not go into the separate items,  
and approve and reject them as they pro-  
ceeded? He did not like to see the items  
increased by any means; but they might  
now take up each item, and consider them  
seriatim. They could express their opinion  
of each item, without accepting all. They  
might remember a similar mistake which  
was made at the first meeting concerning  
the Stamp Act; when they talked prin-  
cipally against the principle of the tax, and  
forgot to consider the effects of the details  
as applied to themselves and the public.  
Now they would be in the same position;  
their voice would not be heard, while com-  
plaints would be more numerous than ever.

Mr Bosman asked the previous speaker  
if he did not go against the principle of the  
tax.

Mr Kaye said he did, but it was now only  
a stern necessity, and they ought now to  
examine the various items of the schedule.

It was then agreed that Mr Bosman's  
motion would come in more appropriately  
at the conclusion of the proceedings; and

the meeting then proceeded to consider  
clause 3 of the Schedule.

Messrs Kaye and Jackson gave it as their  
opinion that all bills, irrespective of amount,  
ought to bear some stamp; it might be  
small enough, but for convenience sake it  
ought to be something. All drafts on de-  
mand might be taxed at say 2 cents up to  
£200, and those for £500 be 50 cents.

Mr Taylor suggested that, instead of the  
old system, they should have a sliding scale.  
Mr Schutze said that they should recom-  
mend the minimum of taxation







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We referred briefly, several days ago, to a new work published by Messrs. A. Shortrede & Co., of Hongkong, entitled "The Treaty Ports of China and Japan." But it would be utterly impossible, in a condensed notice of such a work, to give an adequate idea of its contents. The historical events of interest since the foundation of the settlement of Hongkong, are perhaps too much condensed into a general summary; but the most important feature in the composition of the society of the present colony, is detailed at greater length. When we come to consider that the book before us makes no pretensions to be a history, but merely a guide book, we cannot hesitate to pronounce it at once the most complete work of its kind ever issued. The Appendix may be termed the China Bradshaw, and the text is furnished with interesting papers—historical, botanical, and descriptive. The maps and plans are useful illustrations of the geographical position of the treaty ports, and a valuable assistance both to travellers and residents.  
Shanghai Recorder May 7, and Supreme Court and Consular Gazette, May 11, 1867.  
A very useful book has just been issued from the Press in Hongkong under the title of the "Guide Book and Vade-mecum to the Treaty Ports of China and Japan," compiled and edited by Mr. N. B. DENNIS. The book is very conveniently got up; is interspersed with maps of the various treaty ports, and contains, besides much useful local information, historical sketches of much interest. Our readers will feel naturally interested in what is said concerning Shanghai; and a good idea of the history of this place is conveyed in Mr. DENNIS's work. \* \* \* The other ports in China and also those in Japan are carefully described, and almost all particulars which can be required by the traveller or resident are to be found in this work, which may be justly regarded as the "Memento" for China.  
(N. C. Daily News, May 16.)  
A very interesting book has lately been published, entitled "The Treaty Ports of China and Japan," to which it forms a complete guide, and regarding the history of which it gives interesting particulars. Maps of the various localities described are inserted, and an appendix shows the existing means of transport between Europe and America and these two countries. A work of the kind was much needed, to place within reach of the general public information regarding the districts in which they reside that had hitherto been concealed under the mysterious hieroglyphics of the Chinese language, or at best open only to sinologists. The modest hope expressed by the authors, that much will be found in the present book that is new and unknown to the general reader, is, we think, fully justified. \* \* \* Hongkong and Canton, for example, each occupy more than 100 pages, comprising every conceivable particular regarding them, from their history native and foreign, to particulars of the geological formation and botanical wealth of the neighbourhood. \* \* \* Not the least interesting feature in the work under review, is the insight it affords us into the character of the population in different parts of this vast empire. \* \* \* One of the most interesting chapters is devoted to a sketch of the history and topographical features of Formosa. The vicissitudes of its history, the peculiarities of its inhabitants, and the reputed mineral wealth of its hills afford ample subject for research; and to a person of Mr. Swinhoe's tastes, must have offered powerful attractions. From his "Notes on Formosa" are derived many of the particulars given in the work under review. \* \* \* Interesting descriptions of the fauna and flora of the island are given, for details of which we refer our readers to the book itself. We have, we believe, said enough to show the scope and character of the work; and must take leave of it for the present, though with the intention of completing our sketch of the information it gives regarding the various treaty ports, on a future occasion. In the meantime, we may assure our readers that no one who takes the trouble to gain a more intimate knowledge of it, will regret the time employed.  
From the Hankow Times, May 18.  
We feel it to be a public duty to take the first opportunity of calling attention to the "Guide Book and Vade Mecum" just issued for "travellers, merchants, and residents in general," in the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, by Messrs Shortrede & Co., of Hongkong. \* \* \* The order of description of the various places follows their position on, or from the coast, as we go northward. In each instance the history, position, means of access, accommodation, foreign residences, public buildings, community, mode and cost of living, climate, associations, amusements, places of interest, native institutions, population, local government, natural history, productions, and statistics of trade are given, along with a miscellaneous detail of facts and incidents in connection with particular localities. So far as we are able to practically test the individual descriptions of the various places, they are given with a considerable degree of fairness and fulness. Peking, Yedo, and Macao are wisely included in the general survey. \* \* \* The value of the book is greatly increased by a most copious index, and the work does with a set of useful appendices. The last of these is the greatest novelty of the work. It consists of a bibliographical index of all formal works published from the earliest date in the English language on China and Japan. Philologists and botanists are, for some reasons best known to the compilers, entirely excluded.

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We think this week, apropos of some piquant correspondence which has appeared of the late in our columns, an extract from the new publication, "Notes and Queries on China and Japan," on the subject of infanticide, which we particularly recommend to the notice of our contributors as containing some reliable facts in connection with the vexed question.  
Such a work as the "Notes," is peculiarly adapted for bringing to light valuable information in respect to this country, and its people, language, and institutions; and we trust it will be as warmly supported as it deserves by the numerous rising and energetic men, who are now, thanks principally to the philological labors of Mr Secretary Wade, making rapid advance in the acquirement of the languages to say nothing of the devoted missionaries who have already given years in their service to the cause to which they have given themselves.  
Report of North China Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society, March 1867.  
Two periodicals which are likely to be of great service have also been commenced; one is published at Fouchow and is called "The Missionary Recorder," and the other emanates from Hongkong and is called "Notes and Queries." It is intended to serve as a medium of intercommunication for persons interested in Chinese Philology, Geography or History. These indications of literary activity are perhaps the most important "sign of the times." It has been our province to record, for they are all means to facilitate that mutual understanding one of the other, which seems so hard to establish between Europe and China.  
(Shanghai Recorder, May 17, 1867.)  
We are put in possession of the fourth number of "Notes and Queries on China and Japan." In saying that the present number equals in interest and importance its predecessors, we have already said a great deal in its favour. Our knowledge of these countries has hitherto been so scattered, so ill-arranged, and so incomplete, in a series of volumes, in different languages, and spreading in point of time over the last two centuries, that some means of separating what is really new, from what has possibly been over and over again described is much to be desired. \* \* \* As a medium of intercommunication on these and many other subjects of interest to those connected with the Far East, we must have the appearance of "Notes and Queries." \* \* \* We need not only add that the periodical is of convenient size, is carefully edited by Mr N. B. DENNIS, and published at the low price of \$4 per annum; and having said this, we trust that "Notes and Queries on China and Japan" will meet with that success which so creditable a production deserves at the hands of those interested in Asiatic researches.  
(Fouchow Advertiser, May 4, 1867.)  
We have received a copy of "Notes and Queries," this publication will be really useful, it contains much matter relating to China which otherwise would be lost, and we wish it every success. Sinologists, Chinese antiquaries and scientific men ought especially to congratulate themselves on the appearance of "Notes and Queries," as it will form their medium of communication and bring into notice what otherwise might remain unknown and buried in obscurity. Now that Law and Ordinance have given their Gazette, Science and Philology their Notes and Queries, and Missionaries their Recorder, the various divisions of mental thought and work in this land ought to be well taken care of; for our part we are glad to see these several issues, both on account of the information and instruction they afford, and the index they supply to the mental vigour of the foreign community in this land.  
(Singapore Free Press, Mar. 2, 1867.)  
We have received the first number of a neat little pamphlet of eight pages entitled "Notes and Queries on China and Japan," containing some able and interesting historical papers on China, together with notes and numerous queries for future contributors to answer, and states that the number of its pages will depend upon the number and length of its contributions. The work will be received with eagerness by literary men, as throwing light upon the ancient traditions of China, with researches into the laws of the various provinces, and the custom of the people.

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